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PREVENTION OF LIVE-LOCK IN A MULTI-PROCESSOR SYSTEM

## PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

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Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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In accordance with the provision of 37 CFR § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a three-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the Office Action mailed October 24, 2002, said period of response being extended from January 24, 2003 to April 24, 2003.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0743 in the amount of \$930.00 to cover the required extension fee. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to deposit Account No. 19-0743.

Respectfully Submitted

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